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HUDSON'S BAY STORES, Rat Portage.

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campaign. At an early hour the com-
mittee rooms of Mayor Cameron and
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the holding of the vote. The voters

were brought in rigs from a distance
to the polls and it seemed as if there
were enough rigs to carry everybody
to vote. The Electric Co. representa-
tives put out a great variety of dod-
gers with any old statement on them,
from the erection of a pulp mill to
promises of economical government,
but without avail. If they had any
thoughts of success they were rudely
shattered. On the other hand the
supporters of Mr. Cameron were con-
fident of success and are not surprised
at the result.

Mayor Cameron's majority over Mr.
Mather was 350. The alderman elected
are as follows: A. F. Hudson, A. S.
Horswill, W. G. Cameron, C. W. Chad-
wick, G. E. Foster and W. McCarthy.

In the west ward Mr. Tweedie de-
feated Mr. McQuarrie for school trust-

MIKADO GOLD BRICKS.

An Increased Output—The
Mine in Excellent
Condition.

Manager McMillan, of the Mikado
mine, arrived this afternoon from the
property, bringing with him the re-
sults of the latest clean-up. About
\$7,000 in gold bricks were deposited
with the bank. This is a considerable
increase over the last clean-up, and
one which in the opinion of the man-
agement is likely to be still further in-
creased in the next return.

When asked how the Mikado was
looking Mr. McMillan said it was in
splendid condition, and that with
their present facilities they were con-
tinually reducing the cost of produc-
tion.

Mining men will be glad to learn
this, for upon the low cost of operat-
ing will depend the success of a great
number of properties in this district.
Mr. McMillan will return to the mine
tomorrow.

T. S. KENNEDY, K.C., DEAD.

A Former Rat Portage Lawyer Dies at
Carman.

Carman, Jan. 6.—At about 8 o'clock
this morning, Thomas Smith Ken-
nedy, K.C., died after an illness of
five weeks. The deceased had been
ailing for some time, but his friends
did not fear any serious consequence
until within the last day or two, when
it was evident he was gradually sink-
ing and gently passed away at the
time above mentioned. Mr. Kennedy
was a well-known lawyer in Ontario
as well as in Manitoba, having been
called to the bar in the former pro-
vince in the year 1888, where he prac-
ticed for some time before going to
Manitoba.

The late Mr. Kennedy was well-
known in Rat Portage have resided
here a couple of years prior going to
Carman. He was in his prime a law-
yer of good ability, and had been en-
gaged in large suits. His friends here
will regret to learn of his death.

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of nationalities, there were only two
spoiled ballots. This speaks well for
the intelligence of our foreign-born
citizens.

of the boarding house. It is seldom
that we have had associated with us
one who combines such a thoroughly
knowledge of his work with such un-
failing kindness and consideration for
the welfare of the men, and we desire
especially to congratulate you on your
success during the Christmas festivi-
ties just ended.

We hope you will long be with us in
your present duties, and we beg you
to accept the accompanying gift as a
small token of our sincere esteem:

N. Macmillan, A. Milne, Jas. McKen-
zie, R. McWaters, W. Patterson, J.
Sutherland, G. Yamen, G. Gorgenson,
F. Jolin, J. Naus, H. Shields, D. Mc-
Ivor, F. Delaire, E. Price, W. McKay,
D. Matheson, A. Bissom, M. Matson,
J. Rodgers, J. Noel, T. F. Faith, V.
Witta, E. Ducharme, T. Mamion, W.
D. Mullen, C. M. Adleck, Jno. McKen-
zie, Michael Ryan, S. Platt, D. Robert-
son, D. John, Jas. Emmous.

Mikado Mine, January 1st, 1902.

ANOTHER BIG BLAZE.

**Popes Block on the Corner of
Second and Matheson
Street Destroyed.**

Last night (Friday) about 12 o'clock
fire was discovered in the frame build-
ing on the corner of Matheson and
Second street, occupied by Mr. Ches-
terson, agent of the Jencks Machine
Co., and the Rand Drill Co. Mr. Ches-
terson, M. E., who is at present in the
east, also had an office there.

The fire is supposed to have caught
from the furnace and in a very few
minutes the building was doomed, the
fire spreading very quickly, the inflam-
mable material of the building giving
the fire every advantage.

The fire brigade were early on the
scene and did magnificent work, con-
fining the fire to the building in which
it originated. We understand the
building was insured but to what a
mount we have not been able to learn.

We doubt if any of the highly paid
brigades of the larger cities could have
excelled the work of our fire brigade
in the two big fires of the past week.
In both cases the fire had a good
start, but through the magnificent ef-
forts of the brigade, was prevented
from spreading.

A SAD ACCIDENT.

Fred. Delorme, a well known resi-

THE THISTLES WIN AGAIN

Defeat the Victorias in Win-
nipeg by a Score of

11 to 2.

The Thistles are continuing their
line of victories, having defeated the
intermediate Vics on their own ice in
Winnipeg tonight by a score of 11 to 2.
The news was received in Rat Portage
with the utmost satisfaction, though
it was expected. This was the third
match of the season for our boys, and
their third victory. It is to be regret-
ted that the contemplated match with
the senior Vics is not to take place
during the present trip. Regarding the
Free Press has the following:

"There will be no game between the
Rat Portage Thistles and the senior
Vics; not just now at least. The Rat
Portage team will play the interme-
diate Vics at the Auditorium this even-
ing, and will play in Brandon Thurs-
day night. It has been found impos-
sible to arrange a suitable date for the
game offered by the senior Vics, and it
has been called off.

"It was at first proposed to have the
senior game arranged for Thursday
night, but Brandon would not stand
for the postponement of their match,
nor would the Vics agree to play on
Saturday night, as proposed by Rat
Portage, as on that day all ticket hold-
ers would be privileged to see the
game free of charge, owing to the ar-
rangements made with the rink com-
pany.

CONMEE WILL BE THE CANDIDATE.

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tives being present from every point
of importance between White River
and Rat Portage, including every set-
tlement on Rainy River.

The first order of business, after the
credentials had been examined, was
the election of the officers of the 68
constituent committee for the West Al-
goma electoral district, as follows:
Geo. A. Graham, Fort William, presi-
dent; Thos. N. Andrews, Port Arthur,
secretary; T. R. Donagan, Rat Portage,
1st. vice-president; Daniel Bisham,
Port Frances, 2nd. vice-president; F. H.
Sangster, Wabigoon, 3rd. vice-presi-

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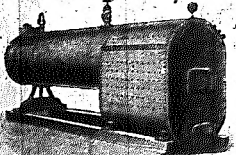
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WARDS

	D. G. Cameron	Mather	Bryden	W. G. Cameron	Chadwick	Davies	Foster	Howland	Hudson	McCarthy	Nash
CENTRE	11 01	15 18	21 56	39 30	3 33	00 01	01 39	39 30			
NORTH	12 50	11 16	16 13	43 43	40 32	40 42	68 71	68 71			
SOUTH	11 05	68 68	61 95	08 13	70 110	122 68	71 71	71 71			
WEST	12 51	38 41	35 57	42 42	28 54	50 41	41 41	41 41			
Totals	11 88	33 29	33 62	50 4	50 63	66 50	30 34	30 34			
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School Trustee, West Ward: Tweddie, 38
McQuarrie, 19

At Cameron's Committee Rooms.

When the returns were coming in last night quite a large crowd gathered at the committee rooms of Mr. Cameron in the opera house. Needless to say it was a very enthusiastic crowd, and as the returns from the different divisions arrived and the results made known the cheers were deafening. When the final result was known the crowd demanded a speech from Mr. Cameron. He mounted the platform and said he was pleased to respond, and thanked the electors for the tremendous majority. He felt, however, he could lay no claim to a personal victory—that it was a victory of the people on a principle which they had fought for. He was but the representative of that principle, and he was glad that the people had triumphed. He said there was no doubt as to the wishes of the people, and their mandate to the council was to go ahead and carry out to a finish the work initiated last year.

The mayor made an excellent address and when he finished was cheered to the echo.

Mr. Chadwick was then called upon and received an ovation. He said no one could be more pleased than he was at the result; in fact he was so pleased he could hardly express himself. He felt that the people had done their duty well and with no uncertain sound. He said he looked forward to the day when the people of Rat Port-

were brought in rigs from a distance to the polls and it seemed as if there were enough rigs to carry everybody to vote. The Electric Co. representatives put out a great variety of dodgers with any old statement on them, from the erection of a pulp mill to promises of economical government, but without avail. If they had any thoughts of success they were rudely shattered. On the other hand the supporters of Mr. Cameron were confident of success and are not surprised at the result.

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In the west ward Mr. Tweddie defeated Mr. McQuarrie for school trustee.

Following is a summary of the votes in the different divisions:—

Election Notes.

In the south ward, with its mixture of nationalities, there were only two spoiled ballots. This speaks well for the intelligence of our foreign-born citizens.

The Electric Print some weeks ago prophesied a snow storm on January 6th. It took place. So far as we are aware this is the only statement which has appeared of late in its columns that the people took seriously.

The impression which Mr. Hose tried to give out that the town was unable to buy the electric plant was not believed by the people. They figured that the combined wealth of the citizens of the town was greater than that of a part of the ratpayers.

As the water works has been a success under municipal ownership, so will the lighting system be.

Mr. Hose's open letter to the people, which was mostly an appeal to them to reject Mr. Chadwick, has been answered politely.

The Electric Light Co. batted a stone wall yesterday when it attacked public sentiment.

The N.E.P. styled Mr. Mather as the people's mayoralty candidate.

The Electric Print on Saturday said: "Mr. Cameron has no absolute right to a second term as the Miner would insinuate. The matter rests altogether with the people." The voice of the people, by their votes, echoed the arguments of the Miner.

MIKADO MINE.

People in town are not the only ones who enjoy the Christmas season, for our friends at the Mikado always put the best foot forward in their endeavors to make Christmas week just like home. On New Year's day at the conclusion of a dinner fit for a king and prepared by the well known and popular chef and manager of the boarding department of the mine, Mr. Alec Cameron, the following testimonial and purse was presented:

Mikado Mine.

We, the undersigned employees at the Mikado mine desire to express to you our appreciation of and our gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown to us since it has been our good fortune to have you with us in charge

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A SAD ACCIDENT.

Fred Delorme, a well known resident of Norman and Keewatin, was killed on Friday by a falling tree at Mr. Mather's Eagle lake camp. The tree struck the unfortunate young man on the head and he never recovered consciousness. The body was brought to town by Messrs. R. Lalonde and J. Johnson. The young man's mother, who resides in Keewatin, has the sympathy of all in this sad and sudden affliction.

ALL-OVER-CANADA ITEMS.

Boiled Down into Readable Paragraphs for Busy People.

The Wellington hockey team defeated the St. George's of Toronto in a hard game.

Between 25 and 30 people are threatening Marconi with law suits for infringement of patents or ideas.

Dr. Robertson, superintendent of the home missions of the Presbyterian church, died suddenly in Toronto Saturday.

The Winnipeg River Power Co. seek power to construct an electric railway between Winnipeg city and Winnipeg river via West Selkirk.

The corporation founded for the advance of higher education in the U. S. by the \$10,000,000 donated by Carnegie, will be known as Carnegie Institution.

English trades unionists are greatly alarmed over an action for damages claimed on account of strikes.

Premier Roblin has announced his policy regarding the Liquor Act. It is to remain in abeyance indefinitely. Temperance leaders are much dissatisfied.

Toronto, Jan., 11.—Mayor Howland was re-elected to-day by a majority of 1,093 in a total vote of 22,832. The figures were Howland, 13,434; Maclean, 8,775; Woodley (socialist) 633. The vote was much heavier than expected, but less than last year when the total figures were 23,944.

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RAT PORTAGE, ONT., JAN. 7, 1902

THE AUTHORITY OF PUBLIC SENTIMENT.

The results of the municipal elections will prove far-reaching in their effects. Not only have the electors of Rat Portage demonstrated by their votes that they want municipal ownership of public utilities, but they have set an example of determination which will be emulated by other municipalities which find themselves in a like position.

The sentiment in favor of public ownership is very strong—much stronger than its principal advocates thought and certainly to its opponents it has proven overwhelming. It only required the initiative of a challenge sent out by the Electric Light Co., through their organ to crystallize that sentiment into action. And what an immense power is a public sentiment! Nothing could stem the tide, no side influences or issues, no misleading statements or absolute falsehoods, no personal enmities or popularity of the opposing candidate, could restrain the people from administering to the Electric Light Co. a rebuke which they must have heard with no uncertain sound. The interest of the public was not diffused but concentrated upon the one object which they had in view. They want to own their own municipalities as they are satisfied with the success of their water works system, which is as complete and perfect as it is possible, they desire also to own and operate their own lighting plant. They realize if they want their business well done, and at the cheapest cost, they must do it themselves. The secret of their wealth is in cooperation, and we have proved in our water system that citizens can co-operate successfully as stockholders. It will be proven by comparison later on that the private administration of the lighting system has been very expensive. The citizens will work for themselves without the cost of the enormous profits which are now being paid.

My Mother was not defeated by the people with such an overwhelming majority because they believed him incompetent or unworthy of the position to which he aspired, but because to them he represented, rightly or wrongly, a principle to which they were testatorially at variance. Many of his personal and warmest friends cast their votes against him because their sentiment was greater than their

THE CEMETERY AT MALACCA.

Where Panang Malaya Sleeps Well under Water Life's Fiercest Foe.

The Malakans is that vast native cemetery in which it is the desire of every Panang Malay to find his last resting place. It covers many acres of ground, and the little nesh, or headstones, rise everywhere through the rank growths that cover the fruitful soil. A few trees stand here and there—trees with thick, fat leaves, soft and fatty to the touch, of the kind called "aprons" by the Malays because their shape is not unlike that of a fat rice ladle.

Occasionally the grave of a rajah, a noble or a man of wealth is marked by a headstone upon which some pious words of Arabic invocation have been rudely carved, some others are squared roughly, but for the most part the graves have no other ornament than a round piece of water worn granite protruding only a few inches above the surface of the ground or crudely carved wooden peg leaning cravily to one side. Two or three of the graves have tumble down erections built over them by the piety of the surviving relatives of him who lies beneath. Their devotion, however, has not been equal to the task of keeping their work in repair, and the decaying uprights and cross-pieces have the appearance of a pile of splinters.

Traces may be noted in other parts of the cemetery of spasmodic attempts to fence in some of the graves, but these have long been abandoned, as Utopian. On one rajah's grave may be seen a huge iron four posted bedstead which oriental wisdom, doubtless after long and anxious discussion, has at length devoted to what its owner conceived was the end for which it was originally fashioned. Rude thus rise here and there among the graves, with the grasses and creepers clinging about their knees, and these are built by the desire of the dead who have left money behind them for the purpose to accommodate the priests and holy men who come to chant verses of the Koran during the quiet nighttimes that the souls of the departed may rest in peace.

All the graves, from those of the kings who ruled the land to those of the peasants who till the soil, are nameless, and thus when a man has laid beneath the sod for a year or two even those of his kindred who held him most dear are unable to say with certainty where their brother lies buried.

BACKACHE.

One of the Most Punishing of Disorders to Account For.

Pain in the back is one of the commonest of the ills afflicting humanity, and at the same time it is often one of the most difficult to relieve and the most puzzling to trace to its origin. It is a symptom of many acute diseases, such as spinal meningitis, smallpox, malaria, influenza, and so forth, but in such cases it is of short duration, and its cause is usually evident. The backache of gallstone, renal colic or simple stomach ache is also an acute affair and disappears rapidly when the gallstone or kidney stone is passed or the flatulence relieved.

It is different, however, with the chronic form, which so often defies all the skill and ingenuity of the physician and exhausts the patience of the sufferer with its persistent and wearying boring, wrenching pain.

The conditions which may produce this chronic backache are so numerous that a mere catalogue of them would fill the space allotted to this article, and we can refer only to the most frequent of them.

The pain may be due to disease in the spine itself, in the spinal cord, in the back muscles or to the abdominal cavity. Pott's disease of the spine (chunchback) and cancer of the vertebrae are the most usual affections of the spine causing backache.

AS SEEN IN ENGLAND

THE TOUR IN CANADA OF THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF CORNWALL.

According to this Correspondent It Had the Effect of Intensifying Instead of Disipating the Ignorance of the People There Concerning Our Climatic Conditions—Part of the Programme Characterized as Mistakes.

Now that the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York have returned to England it may not be out of place to sum up, from an English standpoint, the possible advantages that Canada has received from the visit of the royal party to Canada. writes the London correspondent of The Toronto Globe. This, you will remember, is a view expressed from the standpoint of a strong desire for the dissipation of much of the prejudice which has hitherto existed in Great Britain in respect to the climatic conditions of Canada. Unfortunately, the hope that so many Canadians in England had, that the result of the royal tour through Canada would be a fairer appreciation by the people here in respect to Canada, is not likely to be realized. It would have been well for Canada in many ways if, in the first place, some of the English newspaper correspondents had not been with the royal party, and in the second place, if some of those enthusiastic Canadians charged with preparing a program for the royal party had been less prominent. The receptions in Quebec and Montreal gave promise that there was going to be a policy adopted throughout the Dominion which would place Canada in a better light before the reading public of Great Britain. All these hopes, however, were blasted when the reports came from Ottawa of the reception there. The more largely circulating newspapers gave the greater space to the most exaggerated accounts of the royal party running the timber slides at the Chaudiere, to the reception of the royal party between the foot of the slides and the "limper camp" at Rockcliffe, and the timber-cutting and shantymen's lunch at Rockcliffe. The first named was picturesque in its wildest possible aspect, something which can only be seen far beyond the pale of civilization. As to the second, the English public were told that the river was filled with canoes of Indians and shantymen dressed in their native costume, who sang lustily the "Canadian Boat Song." As the royal canoe passed down the river, then as the third, the lumbermen camping on the outskirts of the grounds of Rideau Hall, was given a typical incident to be seen any day within a mile or two of the Parliament buildings.

Canadians, however, the timber slides, instead of being an evidence of backward civilization, are simply engineering contrivances for the passage of timber from one part of the river to the other. As to the river below the falls being crowded with Indians and shantymen in their native costume, it shall not be amazed to learn that the so-called Indians and shantymen were mostly the "upper four thousand" of Ottawa's social circle, who chose to pass themselves off as natives and shantymen for the time being, in order to make the royal visit probably more interesting or more picturesque.

G. M. BROWN'S CAMPAIGN.

Opposed by Mr. Conan Doyle, the Novelist—Lots of speechmaking.

Mr. Conan Doyle's unsuccessful effort to attain political honors at the last general election in Great Britain is of particular interest to Canadians by reason of the fact that the successful Liberal candidate was Mr. George M. Brown, son of the late Hon. George Brown of Toronto. The constituency was Central Edinburgh, and Mr. Doyle was the Liberal Unionist candidate. He is described as highly popular in Edinburgh, where he took his course in medicine and also obtained his first success in literature. As a candidate the novelist made so many speeches that in one of the last of them he said: "I have talked and talked all the week till I am sick of hearing my own voice, and I am sick of seeing yesterday and have to make as many more today." On some days he began his speech-making before breakfast and kept it up till midnight. He spoke in the streets and squares, in several breweries, in an opera house, in a "literary institute" in front of business establishments or workshops, and wherever he could attract the notice of any group of listeners. He did not submit, to that torture known as "backing" — or, in other words, was required to answer all these searching questions — political, moral or metaphysical — which electors are fond of putting to every candidate. On a number of occasions he had to confess that he could not answer the "backers." "I really do not know," he said in one case. "Do not exaggerate your suggestion, but don't see where the money is to come from." "We ought to go very slowly," "I agree with you, but then—" "I am not a jingo, yet, after all," "I am a young politician," and so on. In referring to British performances abroad he is reported as saying: "We should not be so very aggressive. We should not rush into every foreign enterprise. We have been the policeman of the world too long. There is not a dening Turkish or a fanatical Muslim, or any kind of religious fanaticism, but Great Britain and Great Britain's army are sent to put him down. We never get any thanks for it. We do the hard and dirty work of the world while the other nations stand round and jeer at us."

None of the numerous speeches of the novelist could be called eloquent. He did not at any time let his imagination loose. He never was in the least extravagant or at all very much in earnest. As a speaker, he seemed to be wholly different from himself as a writer. All his speeches were plain and hard as possible, and he treated all questions in the most practical manner, or in what may be called the House of Commons manner.

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SEARCHING FOR OIL.

PERSEVERANCE OF THE MAN WHO SET TO WORK TO FIND IT.

Edward L. Drake and His First Well in Pennsylvania—Reduced at One Time by His Experiments to Absolute Poverty.

Edward L. Drake was a man of one idea, but he managed to use it to such advantage that he added \$2,000,000,000 to the industrial wealth of the United States. He was the man who drilled the first oil well in Pennsylvania. A handsome tomb in Woodlawn cemetery in Titusville is the final resting place of the pioneer of Colonel Drake.

The actual story of the first oil well has legends in its opinion, been told. Fragments of the truth have been given, with additions of more or less romances, error, and there have been many stories published which have been entirely false. I have endeavored in this article to relate only facts which can be reached for, and in the task of digging them up I am indebted to J. A. Mather and M. N. Allen of Titusville for much valuable assistance.

One bright spring morning in the year 1859 a tall, dark bearded man wearing the uniform of a railway conductor appeared at the office of Ereth & Bissell at New Haven and purchased 750 shares of stock in a newly organized company having for its object the gathering and sale of oil in Pennsylvania.

Along the banks of Oil creek, some petroleum had been found, and the excitement was still high when the New Haven capitalists organized their company. "Crack oil," or coal oil, as it is sometimes erroneously called, was obtained from natural springs or from broad trenches dug in oil-bearing soil. These trenches were from four to six feet deep and were allowed to fill with oil and water that oozed from the soil. The oil, being lighter than the water, rose to the top and was absorbed in woolen blankets especially made for the purpose, a practice borrowed from the Indians, who had long used petroleum as a lubricant. Another process was known as "drilling." The oil and water were dipped from trenches into tubs, and when gravity had separated the two liquids the oil was skimmed off or else the water was drawn by means of a vent in the bottom of the tub.

Mr. Drake believed that if he could pierce the rock stratum that lay below the soil of the company's land oil would gush forth. He was firmly convinced that a subterranean lake of oil existed beneath the rockbed.

His conviction was based on study. Geological formations had even proved fascinating to him, and he had spent much of his spare time when a father's helper in pursuing this line of inquiry. He was lacking in scientific training only. He was convincing the officers of the new oil company that there was "something" in his plan of boring for oil, he went to the district supplied with \$1,000 for experiments.

He ordered a steam engine and after much difficulty secured the services of an experienced safe well driller. The arrival of the engine was long delayed, and after waiting for several weeks the driller, believing that the colonel was a sort of vision, refused to have anything to do with the enterprise. Thus the summer wore away without any new developments. The company lost faith in Drake and his idea and refused to advance any more money.

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BUSINESS AND BEARDS.

Most London Men Clean Shaven or Wear a Mustache Only.

This would appear to be mainly a beardless age, for, though you do not find much in beard all persons who wear beards, they are nevertheless in a vast minority just now. In the first place, let us take the typical city man. He is probably engaged on the Stock Exchange, and if so it will be remarkable if he wears a beard. Most of the frequenters of Tottenham street are clean shaven or at most a mustache is cultivated. The same applies to most bank clerks and young and middle aged men in insurance and other offices. Secretaries of companies are also generally content with cultivating slight mustaches if they are not altogether clean shaven.

On the other hand, it is curious to note that beards seem fairly popular among accountants. Indeed it would almost seem as if the growth of hair on the face were conducive to clear headedness in matters of calculation, so general do beards and whiskers appear to be among men of figures. Middle aged buyers and travelers in the wholesale soft goods and the "rag" trades also seem partial to cultivating hair on the face, though in retail trades it is seldom that more than the mustache is grown. Bearded men are the exception rather than the rule among drapers, bootmakers, stationers, grocers, hosiers and such like callings. In the government service men are, as a rule, either clean shaven or they cultivate the mustache only. Take the clerks, telegraphists and porters in the postoffice. Mustaches, especially the downy, embryonic sort, seem rather popular among the youths and younger men, while a few of their middle aged seniors indulge in the luxuries of comfortable beards, but for the most part the clean shaven men manage to hold their own.

At Somerset House the same remarks may be applied as at the treasury and other government offices. In the army of course they cultivate mustaches, but beards are practically unknown, even among our generals. Naval officers are, as a rule, clean shaven, though beards are pretty common among seamen. The law is of course the cleanest shaved of all clean shaven callings, which is perhaps but as it should be. Medical men, on the other hand, are rather fond of their mustaches. One supposes that they are cultivated when their wearers have set up in practice in order to inspire confidence in possible patients. Take it all around, however, it may safely be said that clean shaven men in London are quite as numerous as those with mustaches if not slightly more so, while the man with a beard would appear to be getting more and more of a rarity.—London Express.

POULTRY POINTERS.

More eggs will be obtained if the fowls have plenty of room. Never put a fowl for the table shortly after it has been killed. The eggs of the fowls are best transmitted from the parents to the young. Always select a small, active, vigorous male in preference to a large one. The large cocks are apt to be lazy. A filthy drinking place will breed disease sooner than anything else. It easily becomes foul where a large number drink from it. The slow feathering fowls are usually the hardest, as the drain on the system occasioned by quick feathering does not weaken them.

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JINGLES AND JESTS.

Relief.
Along about December.
We will give this warty brail,
And the blinding taint's attention
Will not interrupt our toll,
And the mercury we'll measure
By a more complacent rule.
Along about December
We can all
Keep cool.

One Never Knows in Chicago.
"I've just received cards from the Hydlers," she remarked.
"Wedding reception or divorce cards?" he asked. "It's so hard to keep track of those affairs now!"

Wearing Him Out.
Daughter—Papa, how can you make us wait a year? Jack doesn't owe a cent in the world now.
Father—No, but he will at the end of the year.

Very High.
If things aren't going up, we'll soon be living near the sky.
You scarce can mention anything that isn't very high.
Even the potato, bread, the ground supposed to grow.
It among the very high things when it should be very low.

Had To.
Sic—The fish seems to grow larger every year.
Ho—Yes; trying to keep up with the fish stories, I guess.

In Politics.
Worker—Every man has his price, you know?
Candidate—Yes, but every man hasn't the price!

How Different Now!
In the counting box he laid her
On his lap an hour maybe;
Now they're married, and he grumbles
If he has to hold the baby.

To Hide Her Face.
"Tom thinks I look lovely in my new hat."
"But you'd look much better with a veil."

His Specialty.
Simkins—Rinkins junior strikes me as being a very promising young man.
"Thinking—Yes; more promising than paying."

A Dread Experience.
Oh, warfare is a dreadful thing,
The when the blood appears
We fight three weeks, and afterward
We spend three years' time.

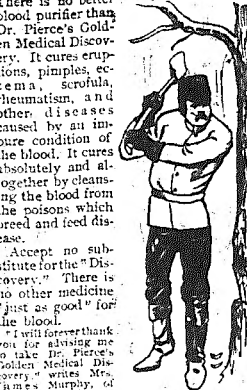
Risky.
Customer—What? Never shave your self? How's that?
Barber—"In so nervous I'm afraid."

Good Reasons.
"No; I don't think I'll marry Cholly."
"Why not?"
"I can't get him to propose."

III.
Marriage really falls in easy,
And children always will
For the sweetest "No" and "Yes" to diplothers
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logical formations had ever presented fascinating to him, and he had spent most of his spare time when a farmer's helper in pursuing this line of inquiry. He was lacking in scientific training only.

Combining the efforts of the new oil company that there was "something" in this plan of boring for oil, he went to the district supplied with \$1,000 for experiments.

He ordered a steam engine and after much difficulty secured the services of an experienced safe well driller. The arrival of the engine was long delayed, and after waiting for several weeks the driller, believing that the colobret was a sort of vision, refused to have anything to do with the enterprise. Thus the summer wore away without any new developments. The company lost faith in Drake and his idea and refused to advance any more money.

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Early in the winter his money gave out, and credit was refused him at the village shops. He faced absolute poverty and barely supported his family by doing odd jobs. He kept a strong heart, however, and his faith in the final outcome of his project remained unshaken.

Early in the spring of 1859 he succeeded in convincing two friends, R. D. Fletcher and Peter Wilson of Titusville, of the soundness of his idea, and they provided him with sufficient capital to renew his experiment.

He secured the services of William Smith and his two sons of Tarentum, who were practical safe well drillers. They brought with them a complete outfit of tools.

The soil along the banks of Oil creek was porous and water soaked, and as fast as the hole was made the soil crumbled, and the well filled with mud. No progress could be made. Although work was at a standstill for a number of days, Drake's ingenuity soon showed itself, and after many costly experiments he finally hit upon a plan to overcome the difficulty.

He secured cast iron pipes six inches in diameter and endeavored to drive them into the ground. The work was too light, were soon shattered by blows from a battering ram which he devised. There was another vexatious delay, and finally a thicker pipe was secured in lengths of ten feet. These were readily driven into the soft earth, one pipe on top of another, until they came in contact with the rock. Drake had solved the problem.

On Thursday, Aug. 25, the drill began to pound, through wild rock, and on the following Saturday it found its way into a crevice in the stratum, and the tools were withdrawn. Indications on the bit showed the presence of oil, but the well was not a "gusher," as Drake expected. Though disappointed, he waited a couple of hours for the well to flow. It was only sixty-six feet deep. He intended to drill deeper. Smith lived in a shanty not far from the well, and early Sunday morning he went on an errand to the tool-house, near the derrick, when he beheld a sight that brought joy to his heart. The long sought for amber fluid was bubbling over the dipper of the well, overflowing the door of the derrick and soaking into the ground. Crude petroleum was worth over a dollar a gallon at that time, and Smith was wild over the sight. John McGraw, Jr., in Success.

A Broad Hint.

Landlady—Our Shakespearean cloth is to discom the character of a Shakespearean. Boarder—Did you know that?

Landlady—What a question! Of course not.

Boarder—I didn't know but he looked here; he was lean and hungry, not know.

Mrs. as a class, eat too much meat, and are prone to indigestion. They eat too much starch and cereals, bread and butter, and preserves, puddings, pies and cakes, which produce corpulency.—*Laurel Borne Journal.*

POULTRY POINTERS.

More eggs will be obtained if the fowls have plenty of room.

Never kill a fowl for the table shortly after it has been laid.

The fowls are usually transmitted from the parents in the egg-skin.

Always select a small, active, vigorous male in preference to a large one. The large cocks are apt to be lazy.

A filthy dripping place will breed disease sooner than anything else. It easily becomes foul where a large number drink from it.

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The eggshell is porous, and any fifth on it will soon affect the meat. Eggs should be cleaned as soon as gathered if at all soiled. Keep them in a dark, cool place.

The confinement of fowls is but an improper mode of caring for them, but care should be taken to keep them together. It is often the crowding together of large numbers that causes failure.

Crop bound fowls can trace their trouble to lack of gravel or sharp, gritty grinding material as well as to fibrous substances, such as potato and apple parings or grass blades.

Dry lime is too caustic to be given alone. Keep a vessel of lime-water convenient and mix a little of it with soft food and also with their drinking water. Lime is a corrective of bowel disease and a remedy for soft shelled eggs.

Garter Facts and Superstitions.

A young girl, blushing faintly, remarked at a theatrical performance the other night about the garter of a new blue silk that a dancer wore below her knee.

"It is bad luck," she said, "to wear one's garter in that way. It is also unlucky, but principally it is bad luck, and I, for my part, would not do it. It is also bad luck to wear white garters—they signify death—and yellow ones signify poverty and love troubles. Garters tied in a true lover's knot are the most fortunate ones, and if they are jeweled that makes them still more fortunate. Suspender garters have no luck attached to them, but they are not very pretty. And the true lover's knot the black garb, fastened with a gold buckle, is the luckiest. My own garters always match my stockings, but you could never induce me to wear stockings of white or yellow."

Seventeenth Century Sheep.

The best and biggest sheep, says Fuller in his famous "Worthies of England," published in the year 1662, "are those of the Vale of Aylesbury in Buckinghamshire, where it is nothing to give 410 or more for a bred ram. So that should a Foreigner hear of the price thereof he would guess that Ram rather to be some Norman engine of batter than the creature commonly so called. 'For garters,' he adds, 'mark, I advise our English sheep, because they do not (as those beyond the sea) follow their shepherds like a pack of dogs, but wander wide abroad.'"

Stained Fingers.

For stained fingers try the following: Mix olive oil with glycerin, and rub upon the fingers. The result is magical. Some stains require frequent applications of the remedy, but even so it is good to know something which removes the traces of soil from fingers which have tipped off, pressed paper, scrubbed stained woods, pressed potatoes, dusted rooms and made fire.

In every crack of life in Norway young men and maidens exchange rings on becoming engaged. These rings are worn by the men as well as the women for the rest of their lives.

POULTRY POINTERS.

A Dread Experience.
On, waiting is a dreadful thing,
For weeks the old appears
We fight three months, and afterward
We wait the several years!

Risky.
Customer—What? Never shave your
self? How's that?
Barber—"I'm so nervous I'm afraid."

Good Reason.
"No, I don't think I'll marry Cholly."
"Why not?"
"I can't get him to propose."

III.
Marriage early fails in case,
And doubtless always will
For the women that "and why" to diplothers
Lend themselves big ill.

True Enough.
"It is love that makes the world go round."
"Well, may be; it certainly turns a man's head."

The Show Down.
Ephraim—He don't hold fol acres.
Rastus—Wot did you hold?
Ephraim—Mab'breff!

Unsatisfactory.
"All the world may love a lover,"
Said the young man, with a frown,
"But that's no much consolation
When the girl part turns you down."

The Beginning.
He—After all, what does one kiss amount to?
She—It leads to others.

One Trouble.
Towne—I wonder just what is meant
By "the embarrasment of riches."
Brownie.

The Lucky One.
The farmer saw his neighbor take his fight
By duty, acting his
To tell the struggle he did not get a bite,
But the morsels did.

In a Bad Way.
This curious language of ours: A man
that is "down on his luck" is said to be
"up against it."

A Complication.
He—I never take a dare.
She (defiantly)—I dare you to kiss me!

Values.
A bird in the hand,
You may make your life on it,
And it would be as much to you
As one wing on a bonnet.

Those Girls.
Tess—This is my twentieth birthday.
Did you know it?
Jesse—No, I don't.

The Man of It.
When it comes to springing
In the great human race,
A man will run much faster
If a woman puts the gas.

Very True.
It sometimes happens that the visitor
who comes to town to see the sights is
one of the sights.

The Worst Offender.
The one who does not stay late,
The one who goes to bed early late,
Especially he who won't respect
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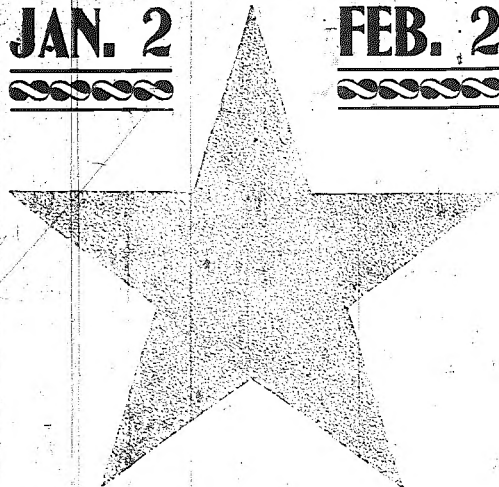
OWING TO OUR DAILY INCREASING BUSINESS we are compelled to have more selling space. Extensive improvements will take place here in the early spring and new Departments will be added which will make our store one of the very best in the west. We do not wish to have a lot of our goods lying around when the carpenters and plasterers are doing their work and we cannot afford to shut up shop, but we intend to make a price on All Winter Goods and Odd Lines that will leave little to be destroyed.

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See Our Window Displays.

Wood's Drug Store

Mr. J. Werner is still confined to his bed.

Mr. White, of White & Manahan's, Winnipeg, is in town.

Miss Sharkey, of Winnipeg, is visiting her sister Mrs. E. Johnson.

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A DISEASE THAT HAS LONG BAFLED MEDICAL SKILL.

Mr. M. A. Gauthier, of Buckingham, Gives His Experience for the Benefit of Other Sufferers from This Terrible Malady.

From the Post, Buckingham, Que.

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Old Jewelry.
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Battlecraze and Kingsnake.

THE REPORTER'S FIRST STORY

scored a Success Because He Did Not Know When to Drop It.

"When I broke into the newspaper business," said the veteran New York correspondent of a big western daily, "I made a hit on my very first assignment, and, oddly enough, my success was due entirely to my ignorance of my profession."

"I had long had an ambition to be a newspaper man, and when I was offered a position on a morning paper I jumped at the chance. It wasn't much of a position, and for several months I hung around the office waiting for the news assignment which did not come. Now and then I would be sent out to get material for an 'odd' note on somebody who had died or perhaps would have a chance at a late fight. But it was a red letter day when I got more than ten lines into the paper. Still, I turned up regularly every morning with the reporters and stood around waiting for that assignment."

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Local Interest

The union prayer meeting will be held to-night at Tabernacle. Subject "Our Nation." Addresses will be given Rev. J. Woods, of Keewatin, and Rev. W. M. Rochester. Let everyone attend, especially christians, and unite in the work of the Lord.

The Orangemen of the district of Rainy River, will meet in Lily Hall, this evening to elect district officers. All Orangemen are cordially invited to attend. This is the first organization of the kind in the district, and it is calculated to do much good.

Mr. Bernard Donovan, of Mather's camp at Vermillion bay, is in town.

Mr. Angus Robertson, of Vermillion bay, was in town yesterday.

The Whist Club were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wright last night.

Miss Belle Morris returned from Winnipeg Saturday.

Captain Detchey, of the Sandusky Fish Co., is in town.

Mrs. W. J. Thompson returned from a visit to her old home in Listowel.

J. K. McCulloch, the skater, is announced as an attraction at Victoria rink on the 15th inst.

The Rat Portage Lumber Co. are taking every possible advantage of this fine weather to push ahead to completion the work of remodeling and improving their plant here, the old works are being replaced by brand new machinery and everything in connection with the mill inside and out is being fitted up anew.—Beaver Mills correspondent, Port Francais Times.

Mr. Wm. McKenzie, of the Glasgow House was a passenger westbound on No. 1 this a. m.

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Questions for Women.

Are you weak, nervous, irritable, easily worried and fatigued? Do you dread your daily work and feel like letting your duties go undone? Dr. Chase's Nerve Food will restore your nervous system and send the thrill of new life and energy through your body. It is above all a woman's medicine, as its invigorating influence on the nerves assures regularity in the functions of the bodily organs.

In an engagement with the Constabulary the Boers lost 10 killed and 37 captured.

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Suffocating With Croup

Croup is the terror of every mother and the cause of frequent deaths among small children. Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine gives prompt relief to the loud, ringing cough, makes breathing easy, and prevents suffocation. It is the mother's favorite remedy for coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, whooping cough and asthma.

Mr. F. W. Bond, 20, Macdonald street, Barrie, Ont., says: "Having tried your medicine, my faith is very high in its powers of curing cough and croup. My little girl has been subject to the croup for a long time, and I have found nothing to cure it until I gave Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine. I cannot speak too highly of it."

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Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a positive cure for all diseases arising from impoverished blood, or a weak and shattered condition of the nervous system. Every day makes new, rich red blood and gives tone to the nerves, thus curing such diseases as epilepsy, St. Vitus dance, paralysis, rheumatism, sciatica, heart troubles, aneurysm, etc. These pills are also a cure for the ailments that make the lives of so many women a constant misery. They are sold in boxes, the wrapper around which bears the full name—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Can be procured from druggists or will be sent by mail, post paid at 20 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

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Drugs AND Sundries

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Rattlesnake and Kingsnake.

The rattlesnake sheds its skin twice a year and at that time it becomes perfectly blind, is helpless and is easily captured. At this stage it is assisted by a nurse or pilot, who guards and protects it. This guard is the young kingsnake. The kingsnake, however, is the first enemy the rattlesnake has and can easily tell it in combat. I have seen rattlesnakes fleeing from the old kingsnake to the young kingsnake for protection.

A Soft Thing.

Little—Oh, yes, I've got a situation, but it's pretty hard work. I'm after a good soft thing, though, and I'm going to let it go, if I can only keep my head above water.

Miss Pender—What's the deal? You'll surely have a soft thing if you only keep your head above water. —Philadelphia Press.

A Duck's Spolite.

Sportsmen who hunt ducks on inland streams and lakes have frequently known them to drive when wounded and fail to appear again.

A professional guide who has shot ducks for many years along the upper Hudson says he has solved the mystery. He shot a wood duck that fell wounded and dived in still water. It did not reappear, and when he came to look for it under water he could see the bird hanging with its bill to a root. It was quite dead, and considerable force was necessary to tow it to the bank.

The hunter firmly believes that the duck committed suicide by drowning to keep from falling into the hands of its mortal enemy—man.

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Not knowing anything about the methods of reporters, I enquired that street from beginning to end. I was about two miles long—about 1400 feet with many nooks. I did not get some stuff that was really good, although I did not know it at the time. When I came in I was told to write a column and a half, and by a lot of good-luck I put the story together in the proper form.

The story suggested that great abuses had been perpetrated by certain city officials, and after it was printed the next day two of the old reporters were sent out to follow it up. They came back without anything, and I was ordered out again. By following my method of the previous day I secured enough additional matter for another story, the paper opened a night as the officials in question, and for several days that was our leading story.

That was my start. Not many years afterward I became the night city editor of the same paper. It was ignorance—pure, unadulterated ignorance of reporters' methods that yielded my first story, but I had sense enough to discover very soon after that the same thing would not carry me any farther.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Mold can be kept from looking ashy scattering here and there about them a few drops of oil of lavender.

A piece of narrow webbing such as is used in furniture sewed on the inner side of rugs will prevent the corners from curling.

To prevent soot from gathering in the chimney and range make a brine of common salt and pour it over the coals. It is said this will keep all parts beautifully clean.

A shelf supported by brackets and from which falls a curtain is a good scheme to conceal a radiator. Then the shelf may be embellished by a large brass or copper pot or a few pieces of bric-a-brac.

When marking blankets in cross stitch, begin by taking a piece of canvas over the place to be marked and then work the initials over it in red wool. When the work is finished, the canvas can easily be drawn out thread by thread.

Paper mache and lacquered articles may be cleaned by rubbing them thoroughly with a paste made of wheat flour and olive oil. Apply with a piece of soft flannel or old linen rag and rub strongly. Then wipe off and polish by rubbing with an old silk handkerchief.

Grease or grime dirt stains on carpets may be removed by rubbing them with the following mixture: One bar of good soap to two tablespoonfuls of sal soda and saltpetre and four quarts of boiling water. When cold, add six ounces of ammonia. Bottle and use as required.

Cheerful.

Miss—Don't! Don't! Mrs. Upjohn leave any message when you told her I was not at home?

Servant—No, ma'am. She simply gave a sigh of relief and said, "Thank you, Jane," and drove away.

Branded Values.

A nugget may be worth twenty dollars, but you don't know it until it is tested and weighed.

A piece of gold stamped by the mint is worth exactly what it is branded.

A common shoe may be worth what is asked for it, but you don't know till you wear it and find out. It may be Goodyear welted and it may not be.

A "Slater Shoe" branded with Slater's name and price in a slate frame is worth exactly what the makers say it is.

They know its value. They put a coupon on it telling the leather it is made of, the way it will wear and how to care for it.

Every shoe branded with price and name, \$5.50 and \$5.00 per pair. "The Slater Shoe."

Gardner, Rice, McLeod Co., Ltd., Sole Local Agents.

Fire, Life, Accident INSURANCE



For Windy Weather...

THE kindly old weather reminds you, if you have delayed giving us your order, that you can't delay it any longer. We have the largest and choicest Stock of Imported Woollens of any house in the town of Rat Portage and intend selling a Reduction during the next six weeks to make room for our Spring Goods.

Mining Stocks bought and sold.

S. S. Cummins

Rat Portage Ontario

Hall's For Fine Tailoring

MAIN STREET.

Freighters Wanted

FREIGHTERS WANTED.—To haul 20 stamp mill (about 10 tons) from Dimowic, Ont., 28 miles north to our gold mines on Manitowish. Hauling to begin Feb. 15, 1902, delivery must be accomplished April 1st, 1902. Address bids to The Twentieth Century Mining Co., Ltd., Dimowic, Ont.

HOUSE FOR SALE.

SITUATED ON SECOND STREET. S. Rat Portage, with nice lawn and splendid garden in rear. For particulars and terms apply to F. C. Poole, on the premises.